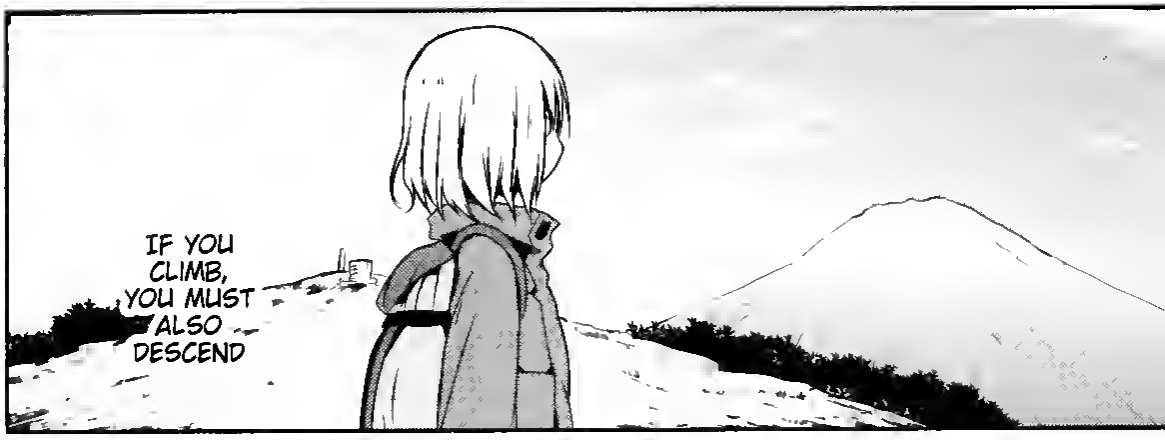
ANYTHING THAT BEGINS, MUST ALSO END


IF YOU CLIMB, YOU MUST ALSO DESCEND

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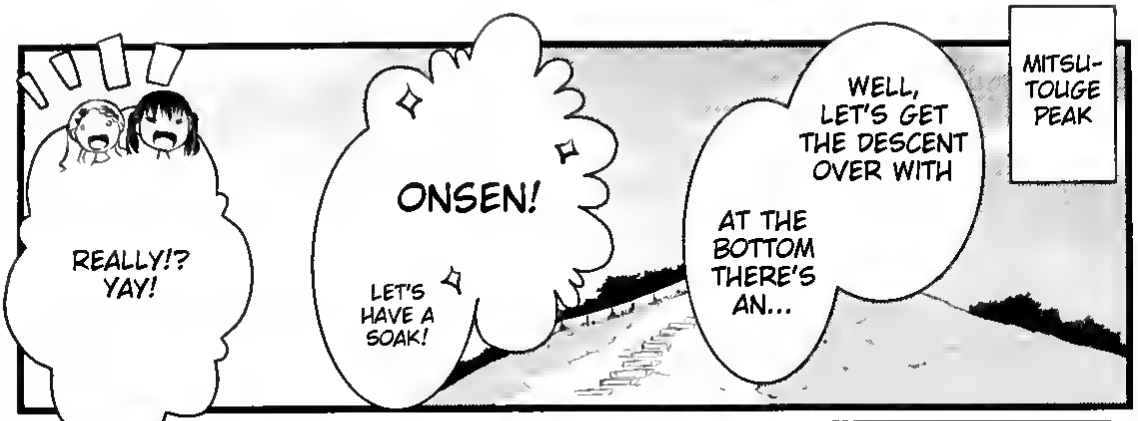
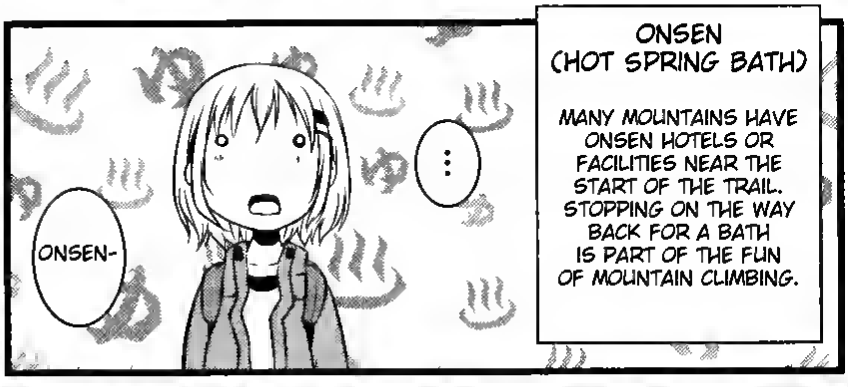
13TH CLIMB: SOME FUN AFTER THE DESCENT

DESCENTS
THE DESCENT IS THE PART OF A CLIMB WHEN YOU'VE ACCUMULATED THE MOST FATIGUE. YOUR NERVOUSNESS MAY BE LESSENED SINCE YOU'VE ALREADY SEEN THE TRAIL, BUT THE DANGER OF BECOMING LOST OR FALLING IS INCREASED, SO BE EXTRA CAREFUL WHEN DESCENDING.

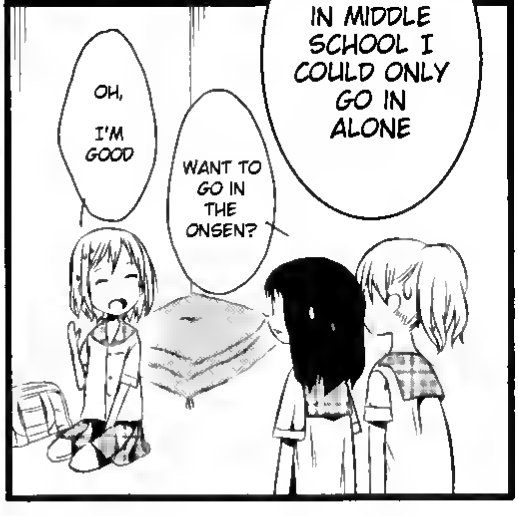

MITSU-TOUGE PEAK
WELL, LET'S GET THE DESCENT OVER WITH
AT THE BOTTOM THERE'S AN...
ONSEN!
LET'S HAVE A SOAK!
REALLY!? YAY!

GETTING IN WITH EVERYONE IS JUST SO...


ONSEN-
...
ONSEN (HOT SPRING BATH)
MANY MOUNTAINS HAVE ONSEN HOTELS OR FACILITIES NEAR THE START OF THE TRAIL. STOPPING ON THE WAY BACK FOR A BATH IS PART OF THE FUN OF MOUNTAIN CLIMBING.

EMBAR-RASSING!

WH-
WHAT, SHOULD I DO?


EVEN IN MIDDLE SCHOOL I COULD ONLY GO IN ALONE
WANT TO GO IN THE ONSEN?
OH, I'M GOOD

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WOAH!
UGH
ARE YOU OK?
YEAH...
SOMEHOW, GOING DOWN SEEMS SCARY WITH HOW EASY IT IS TO GAIN MOMENTUM...
IT REALLY IS...
GOING DOWN IS EASIER
BUT IT'S STILL PRETTY SCARY
I CAN'T BE THINKING ABOUT ONSEN AT A TIME LIKE THIS!
IF I DON'T CONCENTRATE ON THE DESCENT...

KA-
KAEDE-SAN! WHAT'S THE BEST WAY TO WALK DOWNHILL?
HMM
ROCKS EVERY-WHERE
UGH
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DESCENTS REQUIRE EXPERIENCE MORE THAN STAMINA
IT'S BEST TO JUST SMOOTHLY FOLLOW THE FLOW OF THE TRAIL DOWN
LIKE THAT!
THERE'S NO WAY!
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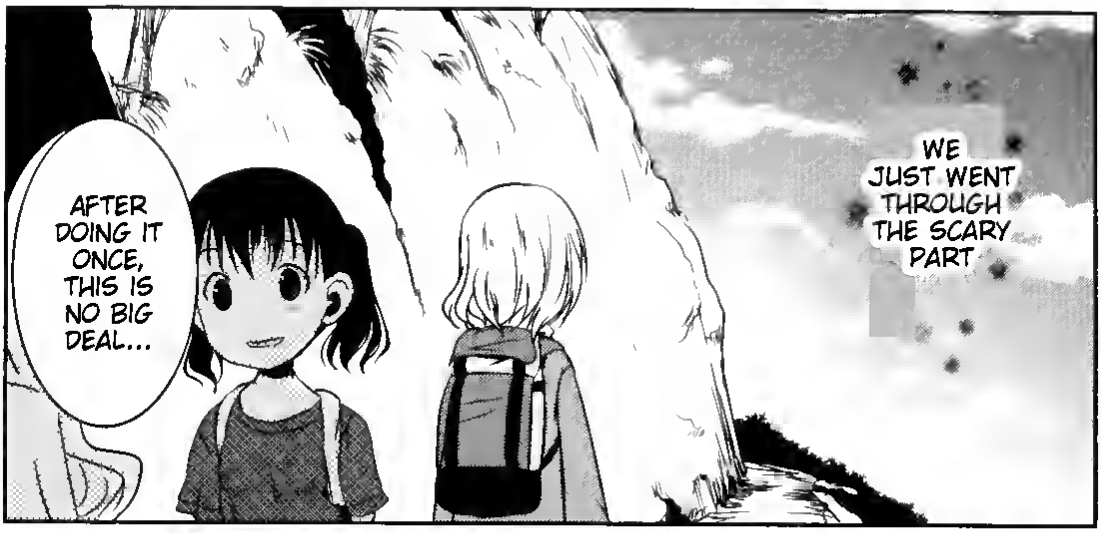
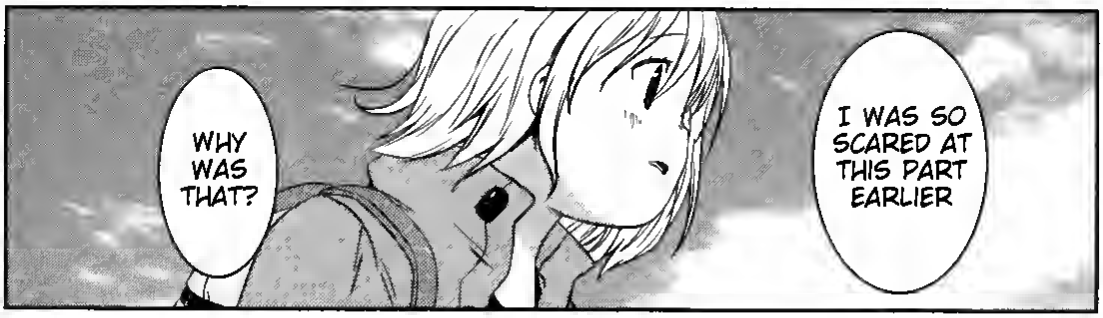
SO FAST!
HUH?
ALL I CAN DO IS KEEP WALKING CAREFULLY
IN THE END


AFTER DOING IT ONCE, THIS IS NO BIG DEAL...
WE JUST WENT THROUGH THE SCARY PART


WHY WAS THAT?
I WAS SO SCARED AT THIS PART EARLIER

THAT MAKES ME KINDA HAPPY...

LET'S TAKE ONE LAST GOOD LOOK AT THE SCENERY, SHALL WE?
UGH!
TH-
THIS-

IS MAKING MY KNEES HURT!
THIS DESCENT...
HEY-
UGH
DON'T YOUR KNEES HURT?
THEY DO...
MY LEGS ARE REALLY FEELING THE BURDEN...
I THOUGHT THE DESCENT WOULD BE EASY!
ズキ
THROB
ズキ
THROB
UGH
WHATEVER HAPPENS AFTER... I HAVE TO KEEP WALKING...
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QUICKLY
LET'S GET BACK QUICKLY!
WE'VE MADE IT PAST THE TRAIL!
LIFE GAUGE
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THROB
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THROB

I REALLY DON'T WANT TO KEEP GOING...
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THROB
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THROB
WE STILL HAVE... THE PAVED PART...
BUT IT'S PRETTY HARD ON THE WAY BACK
EARLIER, I SAID THIS PAVED PART WAS EASY,
O-
AND MUD FROM FALLING DOWN
MY BODY FEELS GROSS...
I'M COVERED IN SWEAT
UGH
HEY
WANT TO GO IN...
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ズキ
I...
ONSEN
温泉
EMBARRASSMENT
恥ずかしい
ガタン
ONSEN...
ズキ
THROB
ズキ
ズキ

ZIPPING BY
すたすたすた
HER OWN TOWEL
HURRY, LET'S GO IN!
!! ×4 WE MADE IT
MY LEGS HURT SO MUCH!
AHH...
ISN'T THE HOT WATER NICE?
HMM? WHERE'S AOI-SAN?
AHH...
SO GOOD
I'M COMING BACK TO LIFE...

KAEDE-SAN HAS SUCH A NICE FIGURE...
AND I'M...
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ちま
NOW THAT I THINK OF IT
I'M TOO TIRED TO BE EMBAR-RASSED...
AOI!
WHY DON'T YOU COME OVER HERE?
LET'S ALL HAVE A CHAT!
I'M FINE OVER HERE...
...!!

AOI, YOU AREN'T...
EMBARRASSED? AT YOUR AGE?
I'M NOT!!
I-
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ぽーん..
AH
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じろじろ
THIS IS WHY I'M NO GOOD WITH BATHS...

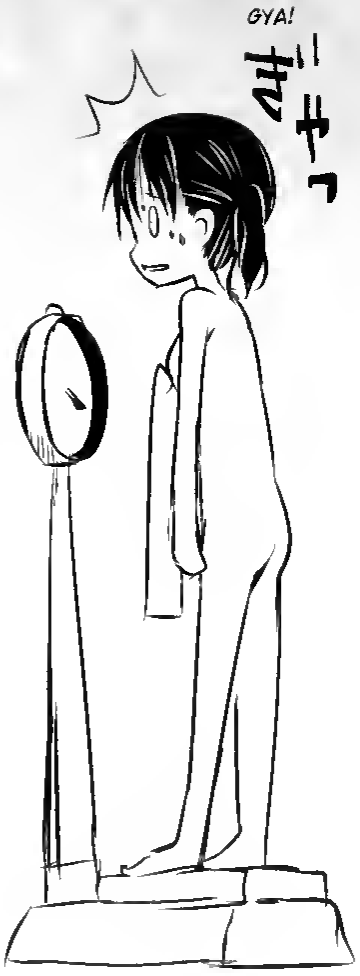
ONSEN

THERE ARE MANY HIKING TRAILHEADS FAR FROM HUMAN CIVILIZATION, YET YOU CAN FIND BATHING FACILITIES SUCH AS ONSEN HOTELS NEAR MOST MOUNTAINS.

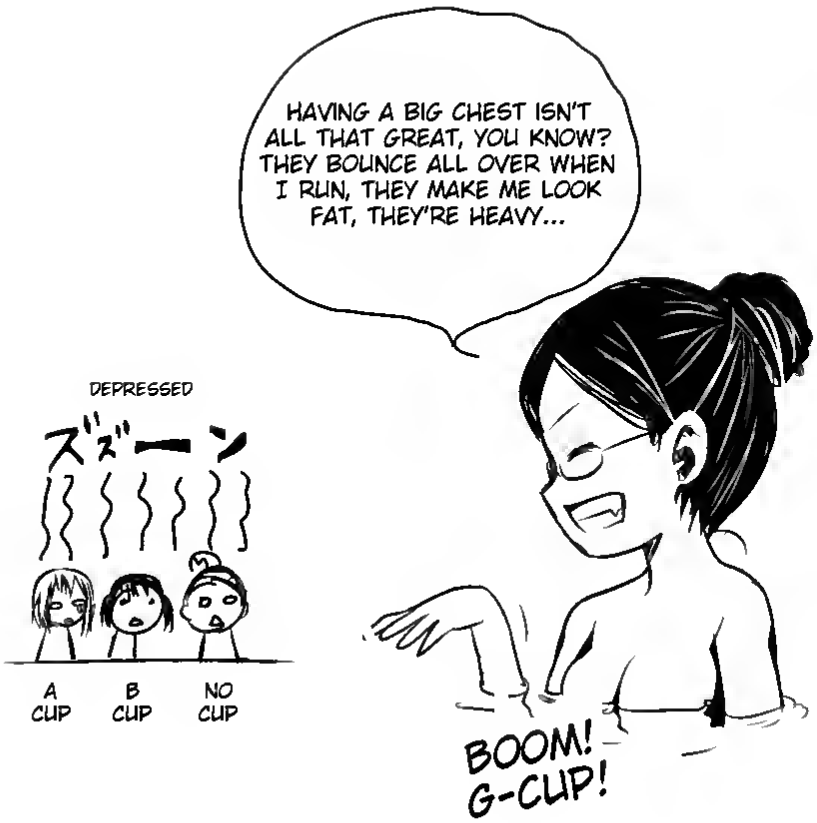
ACCUMULATED FATIGUE, MUD, DIRT, AS WELL AS MENTAL EXHAUSTION ARE ALL WASHED AWAY IN AN ONSEN, SO YOU'LL DEFINITELY WANT TO ENJOY ONE AFTER YOU DESCEND.

WITH ONSEN FACILITIES AVAILABLE, AND THE FACT THAT MANY OF THEM HAVE AN ENTRANCE FEE OF ONLY 500 YEN OR SO, YOU SHOULD SURELY USE ONE.

TO BE COMFORTABLE AFTER THE BATH, IT'S GOOD TO PREPARE AHEAD AND BRING SUCH THINGS AS A TOWEL AND A CHANGE OF CLOTHES.



THE CURIOSITY OF GOING TO AN ONSEN AND GETTING ON THE SCALE


HAVING A BIG CHEST ISN'T ALL THAT GREAT, YOU KNOW? THEY BOUNCE ALL OVER WHEN I RUN, THEY MAKE ME LOOK FAT, THEY'RE HEAVY...
DEPRESSED
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A CUP
B CUP
NO CUP
BOOM! G-CUP!